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THE Confederate Fleet under the Command of Sir *Cloudisly Shovell* sailed from hence the 13th Instant, but the Wind soon changed, and has been so contrary ever since, that this morning one of the Tenders, called the *Constant Pink*, *Stephen Nicholas* Master, returned into this Port, having been separated from the Fleet off of *Corsica* the day after their departure hence.

Venice, Octob. 26. The Duke of *Vendosme* continues his March towards the Frontiers of *Piedmont*, and has caused 44 Pieces of Cannon to be put into several Barks at *Cremona*, in order to be carried up the *Po* to *Casal*, which Town the *French* have made choice of for a Place of Arms. The Imperial Army under the Command of General *Staremberg* is in a readiness to march, but has been hindred hitherto by the Overflowing of the *Po* and the *Secchia*, occasioned by the late Rains. The *French* Forces in the *Modenese* and the Country of *Reggio* seem to apprehend that the Design of the *Germans* may be to march that way; where upon the Country People are ordered to retire with their best Effects, their Catte and Provisions, into Places of Safety, and they are fortifying the Towns of *Modena* and *Reggio*. The Imperialists have made a Detachment to reinforce the Duke of *Savoy*'s Army, who have passed the *Secchia*, and are marching towards *Piedmont*.

Vienna, Octob. 27. Yesterday an Officer arrived here from the Imperial Army in *Italy*, who came away from thence the 20th Instant, and gives an Account, That the Duke of *Vendosme* was marched from the Camp at *San Benedetto*, with all the *Spanish* and *Italian* Troops, 17 *French* Battalions and 30 Squadrons, towards *Casal*; and that the Prince of *Vaudemont*, Governor of *Milan*, arrived the 18th at *San Benedetto*, and took upon him the Command of the *French* Forces which were left there to observe the *Germans*. The Duke of *Savoy* has sent to General *Staremberg* for Succours, which he has granted, as far as the present Condition of the Imperial Army would allow, and for that purpose has detached the Marquis of *Visconti* with 1500 of his best Horse, and 200 Hussars, who passed over the River *Secchia* the 19th in the night, and had the good fortune not to be discovered. They rested 4 hours only the day following near *Reggio*, and were to continue their March with all possible diligence by the way of *Parma* and *Placentia*, which it is believed may be performed without any Danger, since General *Visconti* has got the Start of the *French* Army, and is very well acquainted with all that Country, being a Native of *Milan*. This Expedition has been concerted and carried on with great Secrecy, and will in all probability have a very good Effect. The *Prussian* Envoy here has notified to this Court, That the King his Master, not having received the 300000 Crowns due to him from the Crown of *Poland*, has thought fit once more to possess himself of the Territory of *Elbing*, in pursuance of the Convention made to that purpose two Years ago between his Plenipotentiary and the Deputies of the Republick. Letters from *Presbourg* of the 24th say, the Count *de Schlick* was still in the Neighbourhood of that Place; but in a day or two would begin his March towards the Rebels, in order to drive them out of *Leventz*: Several Parties of them have submitted, and are come over to him with their Standards, upon the Approach of the *German* regular Forces.

Nancy, Novemb. 3. Letters from *Paris* of the 27th past bring an Account, That the *French* Court lett *Fontainebleau* the 25th, came the next day to *Sceaux*, and was expected at *Versailes* the 27th. An Express from the Duke of *Vendosme* arrived at *Fontainebleau* the 25th, which came by the way of *Switzerland*, with Advice, That the Duke having sent an Officer from *Pavia* to the Duke of *Savoy*, to know his final Resolution, his Royal Highness had returned an Answer by the same Messenger by Word of Mouth, which amounted to this, That he would not hearken to any new Propolal on the Part of *France*. That the Duke of *Vendosme* thereupon passed over the River *Ticino*, with his Forces, which arrived the 17th at *Mortara* and *Trumello*: That on the 20th they advanced to *Casal*, where a Bridge was made over the *Po*; but the great Rains and the Overflowing of the Rivers did very much incommode them; and these Forces were so fatigued by their late Marches, that it was believed they must go into Quarters of Refreshment before they could enter upon Action: And that the Duke of *Savoy* had put strong Garisons into *Verceil*, *Ivin*, *Asti*, *Alba*, and his other Frontier Towns in *Piedmont*, and all the Inhabitants of that Country were up in Arms. These Letters add, That the Marshal *de Tesse* was gone Post into *Dauphine*, to draw together some Battalions of Foot which were quartered in that Province, to cover those Frontiers against the *Vaudois*, who have already made several very successful Excursions, and carried off many Prisoners, and a great deal of Plunder: It is thought by some, that he has Orders to make an Attempt upon *Susa*; but the Duke of *Savoy* has provided that Place also with a sufficient Garison. The Count *de St. Pol* is returned to *Dunkirk* with his Squadron, consisting of 6 Men of War, which had been up as far as *Maelstrand*, and has brought home two Prizes, which he took in those Seas. Letters from *Madrid* of the 13th say, That *Don Francisco Velasco* was made Governor of *Catalonia*, in the room of the Count *de Palma*, Nephew to Cardinal *Portocarrero*, who is promoted to be a Councellor of State; That the President of *Castille* had desired Leave to retire from Publick Business, which had been refused; That the Duke *d'Hijar* was made Viceroy of *Gallicia*; And that 12 *French* Gallies, which have lain a considerable time at *Cadiz*, were come to *Barcelona*, in their way back to *Marseilles*.

Francfort, Novemb. 4. The Town of *Landau* continues to make a vigorous Defence; The Count *de Frise*, Governor of that Place, sent out a Soldier on the first Instant, who passed undiscovered through the Enemy's Quarters, and brought Advice to the Count *de Nassau Wielbourg*, General of the Elector Palatine's Troops, That the *French* had yet made but little Progress in the Siege; that in one Salley he had nailed up 18 of their Cannon, and taken 3, and that in the whole they have had about 40 Pieces dismounted, or otherwise rendred unserviceable; and that all things in his Garison were in so good a Condition, that he hoped to hold out yet 3 weeks longer. The same Messenger was sent back with Assurances, That the Prince of *Hesse* was marching to his Relief, and we hear he is returned safe into the Town